

III. EVALUATION PROCESS AND CRITERIA (CONTINUED)

Stage 2: Final Proposal Evaluation Process

Bidders with proposals that pass Stage 1 will be allowed to submit proposals to Stage 2. Section I contains the proposal due dates. The period of time between the posting of Stage 1 results and the Stage 2 Proposal due date allows sufficient time for advertising for a DVBE participant. Stage 2 Proposals will be screened and scored according to the criteria described below.

It is possible for a Proposal to pass the Stage 1 scoring process but not be selected for funding in Stage 2. However, Proposals that make it to Stage 2 will be accepted or rejected in their entirety. The minimum passing Technical Evaluation Score to be considered for possible funding is 750 points. Interviews may occur during technical evaluation. The scores of Stage 1 do not carry over to Stage 2 thereby keeping each stage independently scored.

If applicable, the Non-Technical Preference Points are added to the Technical Evaluation Score of proposals that receive a Technical Evaluation Score of 750 points or more. Upon completion of the technical and non-technical evaluation scoring, the Proposal Scoring Committee will prepare a ranked list of the proposals, in descending order, based upon each proposal's total score. The Commission's RD&D Policy Committee will recommend how far down the ranked list of proposals scoring 750 total points or more will receive contract awards.

If a successful Bidder decides to withdraw a proposal, or if a Bidder will not sign the proposed Agreement within its allotted time, the proposal will be disqualified from this award.

1. Required Documents for Stage 2

Just like with Stage 1, each Proposal will be organized into 2 volumes with an optional 3rd volume for any confidential information. Stage 2 proposals, however, will contain more information as shown and described below (note that not all sections are applicable to all proposals):

Volume 1 Administrative Section

Cover letter	(Same as Stage 1)
Application and Project Information Form	Attachment 1
Contractor Certification Clauses	Attachment 2
Darfur Contracting Act	Attachment 3
Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Program Requirements Form	See Below & Attachments 4 & 4a
Certified Small/Micro-Business & non-Small Business Form, if applicable	See Below & Attachment 5
Target Area Agreement Preference Request Form, if applicable	Attachment 6
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Local Agency Military Base Recovery Area Form, if applicable	Attachment 8
Preference Points for California Based Entities	Attachment 9a

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